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Mr. G. Rameswara Rao:—"May I know, with reference to the answer given to this question, as to when the applications were received and how they were disposed of?"

The Hon. Mr. C. A. Souter:—"Of the two applications received for remission, one was in June and the other in July. The Government considered that those cases were not fit cases for granting remissions. Of the two applications received one was with reference to a whole inam village and the Government did not consider in that case there was reason to grant the request of the petitioner."

Collection of process-fees in South Kanara by the Revenue officials.

* 235 *Q.*—Mr. U. C. Subrahmanya Bhatt: Will the Hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state with reference to the collection of process-fees for attachment, etc., by revenue officials in South Kanara district in general and in Puttur taluk in particular—

(*a*) the total amount collected in each of the taluks by way of process-fees; and

(*b*) whether any special extra staff was employed for serving the processes; if not, whether it was through the village officers that the services were effected?

A.—(*a*)—

Taluk.	Amount. RS.	A.	P.
Mangalore	203	14	0
Kasaragod	200	15	0
Puttur	251	15	0
Udipi	205	0	0
Coondapoor	133	11	0
Karkal	201	0	0
Total for the South Kanara district ...	1,196	7	0

(*b*) Special staff of seven process-amins for the whole district was employed. Processes were also served through the village officers.

Mr. U. C. Subrahmanya Bhatt:—"May I know whether it is not a fact that, in cases where the services of a special staff are not utilized, no process fees can be collected under the Board's Standing Order?"

The Hon. Mr. C. A. Souter:—"Notice, Sir."

Mr. U. C. Subrahmanya Bhatt:—"May I know if the Hon. Member would look into the matter and in cases where any unauthorized process fees have been collected, see that orders are issued to refund the sums that have been collected?"

The Hon. Mr. C. A. Souter:—"I may inform the hon. Member that the matter has been looked into and a report has been called for."

Mr. A. B. Shetty:—"May I know whether the amount collected was meant for the payment of the extra staff employed?"

The Hon. Mr. C. A. Souter:—"I presume that the total amount of Rs. 1,196–7–0 collected as process fees would go towards the payment of the extra staff employed for this purpose."

Khan Bahadur Mahmud Schamnad Sahib Bahadur:—"May I ask the Hon. Member whether the Government will be pleased to order the discontinuance of levying these penalties and process fees on account of the economic depression that is prevailing in the country?"

The Hon. Mr. C. A. Souter:—"I do not think so, Sir."

Alteration of the form of application for loans under the Agricultural Improvements Loans Act.

* 236 *Q.*—Mr. P. V. Krishnayya Choudari: Will the Hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the Government have changed the form of application for loans under the Agricultural Improvements Loans Act; and

(*b*) if so, the changes made and the reasons therefor?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) No.

Mr. P. V. Krishnayya Choudari:—"In view of the amendment that has been made to the Agricultural Improvements Loans Act, may I ask whether the Government will be pleased to change the form of application for loans?"

The Hon. Mr. C. A. Souter:—"May I ask what the amendment is to which the hon. Member refers?"

Mr. P. V. Krishnayya Choudari:—"The recent amendment that has been made to the Agriculturists' Loans Act, to relieve the indebtedness of the agriculturists."

The Hon. Mr. C. A. Souter:—"There will be a special form for loan applications according to that amendment. So far as I know, there is no proposal for changing the form of loan application with regard to ordinary loans."

Mr. P. V. Krishnayya Choudari:—"May I know whether it is not a fact that Government have already fixed certain districts for experimental purposes?"

The Hon. Mr. C. A. Souter:—"Government have fixed one district and a small portion of another district to see how the new Act works there."

Mr. P. V. Krishnayya Choudari:—"So is it not necessary on the part of the Government to change the form of loan application at least for those districts?"